

Department of State of the United States of America

Treaty Actions

December 2008

BILATERAL

Afghanistan

Agreement amending the strategic objective grant agreement of September 19, 2005, as amended, for the strategic objective of a better educated and healthier population. With attachments. Signed at Kabul December 4, 2008. Entered into force December 4, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 04, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 04, 2008

Agreement amending the strategic objective grant agreement of September 19, 2005, as amended, for the strategic objective of a democratic government with broad citizen participation. With attachments. Signed at Kabul December 4, 2008. Entered into force December 4, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 04, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 04, 2008

Agreement amending the strategic objective grant agreement of September 19, 2005, as amended, for the strategic objective of a thriving economy led by the private sector. With attachments. Signed at Kabul December 4, 2008. Entered into force December 4, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 04, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 04, 2008

Agreement amending the strategic objective grant agreement of September 19, 2005, as amended, to provide support for programs to achieve strategic development objectives. With attachments. Signed at Kabul December 4, 2008. Entered into force December 4, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 04, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 04, 2008

Australia

Agreement amending the agreement of December 1, 1995 concerning the establishment of certain mutual defense commitments. Effected by exchange of notes at Canberra December 4, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 04, 2008; not yet in force

Bulgaria

Convention for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income. With protocol. Signed at Washington February 23, 2007. Entered into force December 15, 2008. With effect from January 1, 2009.

- * Entered into force Dec 15, 2008

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Canada

Agreement amending the treaty of January 28, 1985, as amended, concerning Pacific salmon. With attachment. Effected by exchange of notes at Washington December 23, 2008. Entered into force December 23, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 23, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 23, 2008

Agreement on emergency management cooperation. With annex. Signed at Washington December 12, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 12, 2008; not yet in force

Protocol amending the convention of September 26, 1980, as amended, with respect to taxes on income and on capital. Signed at Chelsea September 21, 2007. Entered into force December 15, 2008. With effect from January 1, 2009.

- * Entered into force Dec 15, 2008

China

Protocol for cooperation in the science and technology of medicine and public health. Signed at Beijing December 4, 2008. Entered into force December 4, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 04, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 04, 2008

Comoros

Investment incentive agreement. Signed at Moroni December 8, 2008. Entered into force December 8, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 08, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 08, 2008

Denmark

Protocol to the treaty of friendship, commerce and navigation of October 1, 1951. Signed at Copenhagen May 2, 2001. Entered into force December 10, 2008.

- * Entered into force Dec 10, 2008

Estonia

Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation. With annexes. Signed at Tallinn December 11, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 11, 2008; not yet in force

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Greenland

Agreement for reciprocal exemption from taxes on income from the international operation of a ship or ships or aircraft. Signed at Copenhagen December 9, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 09, 2008; not yet in force

Hungary

Agreement on enhancing cooperation in preventing and combating serious crime. Signed at Budapest October 1, 2008. Entered into force December 11, 2008.

* Entered into force Dec 11, 2008

Iceland

Convention for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income. With protocol. Signed at Washington October 23, 2007. Entered into force December 15, 2008. With effect from January 1, 2009.

* Entered into force Dec 15, 2008

India

Agreement for cooperation concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. With agreed minute. Signed at Washington October 10, 2008. Entered into force December 6, 2008.

* Entered into force Dec 06, 2008

Memorandum of Understanding concerning scientific and technical cooperation in the field of gas hydrates research. Signed at Washington December 16, 2008. Entered into force December 16, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 16, 2008

* Entered into force Dec 16, 2008

Israel

Agreement extending the agreement of July 27, 2004 concerning certain aspects of trade in agricultural products. Effected by exchange of letters at Washington and Jerusalem December 10, 2008. Entered into force December 10, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 10, 2008

* Entered into force Dec 10, 2008

Project Agreement concerning the detectable spray (glowing path) project. With appendices. Signed at Tel Aviv December 2, 2008. Entered into force December 2, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 02, 2008

* Entered into force Dec 02, 2008

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Italy

Memorandum of Understanding regarding the assignment of Italian military personnel to United States Navy units. With appendix. Signed at Washington and Rome November 25 and December 18, 2008. Entered into force December 18, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 18, 2008

* Entered into force Dec 18, 2008

Japan

Agreement concerning cooperation on the Joint Program between the Greenhouse Gases Observing Satellite (GOSAT) and the Orbiting Carbon Observatory (OCO) satellite. Effected by exchange of notes at Washington December 1, 2008. Entered into force December 1, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 01, 2008

* Entered into force Dec 01, 2008

Agreement for cooperation on the development and operations activity of the Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) mission. Effected by exchange of notes at Washington December 19, 2008. Entered into force December 19, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 19, 2008

* Entered into force Dec 19, 2008

Kenya

Memorandum of Understanding for cooperation in preventing and controlling HIV/AIDS and other diseases of public health interest. Signed December 11, 2008. Entered into force December 11, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 11, 2008

* Entered into force Dec 11, 2008

Korea (ROK)

Agreement amending the Mutual Logistics Support Implementing Arrangement of February 26, 1999, as amended. Signed at Seoul December 10 and 16, 2008. Entered into force December 16, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 16, 2008

* Entered into force Dec 16, 2008

Agreement on enhancing cooperation to prevent and combat crime. With annex. Signed at Washington November 7, 2008. Entered into force December 29, 2008.

* Entered into force Dec 29, 2008

Liechtenstein

Agreement on tax cooperation and the exchange of information relating to taxes. With appendix. Signed at Vaduz December 8, 2008.

* Concluded Dec 08, 2008; not yet in force

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Mexico

Protocol concerning the use of the 1710-1755 MHz and 2110-2155 MHz bands for terrestrial non-broadcasting radiocommunication services along the common border. With appendices. Signed at Washington and Mexico City December 16 and 19, 2008. Entered into force December 19, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 19, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 19, 2008

Morocco

Agreement regarding the development and operation of a seismic monitoring station in the Kingdom of Morocco. Signed at Rabat December 31, 2008. Entered into force December 31, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 31, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 31, 2008

New Zealand

Protocol amending the Convention of July 23, 1982 for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income. Signed at Washington December 1, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 01, 2008; not yet in force

Panama

Memorandum of Understanding on the Fulbright Exchange Program. Signed at Panama City December 10, 2008. Signed at Panama City December 10, 2008. Entered into force December 10, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 10, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 10, 2008

Peru

Agreement to add an annex to the 1996 Operating Agreement for the project for control of narcotics, as amended. Effected by exchange of notes at Lima October 1 and December 3, 2008. Entered into force December 3, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 03, 2008
- * Entered into force Dec 03, 2008

Romania

Agreement amending the agreement of July 19, 2004 concerning cooperation in the area of countering the proliferation of nuclear materials and technologies. Signed at Washington December 3, 2008.

- * Concluded Dec 03, 2008; not yet in force

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Russia

Protocol amending and extending the agreement of June 17, 1992 concerning the safe and secure transportation, storage and destruction of weapons and the prevention of weapons proliferation, as amended and extended. With annex. Signed at Moscow June 16, 2006. Entered into force December 29, 2008.

*** Entered into force Dec 29, 2008**

Protocol amending and extending the agreement of June 17, 1992 concerning the safe and secure transportation, storage and destruction of weapons and the prevention of weapons proliferation. Signed at Moscow and Washington June 15 and 16, 1999. Entered into force December 29, 2008.

*** Entered into force Dec 29, 2008**

Protocol on amendments to the agreement of June 15, 2005 on trade in certain types of poultry, beef, and pork. With annex. Signed at Washington December 29, 2008. Entered into force December 29, 2008.

*** Concluded Dec 29, 2008**

*** Entered into force Dec 29, 2008**

Saudi Arabia

Agreement on science and technology cooperation. With annexes. Signed at Riyadh December 2, 2008.

*** Concluded Dec 02, 2008; not yet in force**

Switzerland

Agreement on the transfer of passenger name record (PNR). Effected by exchange of notes at Bern December 23, 2008. Entered into force December 23, 2008.

*** Concluded Dec 23, 2008**

*** Entered into force Dec 23, 2008**

MULTILATERAL

DEFENSE

Project Arrangement pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding for the cooperation in global positioning system and navigation warfare research, development, test and evaluation. With annex. Signed at Washington and Abbey Wood December 10, 2008 and January 15, 2009. Entered into force January 15, 2009.

UNITED STATES

Signature, Dec 10, 2008

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MARITIME MATTERS

Amendments to the convention of March 6, 1948, as amended, on the International Maritime Organization relating to the institutionalization of the facilitation committee in the Convention. Adopted at London November 7, 1991.

* Entered into force Dec 07, 2008

PATENTS

Patent Law Treaty. Signed at Geneva June 1, 2000. Entered into force April 28, 2005; for the U.S.:

AUSTRALIA

Consent to be bound (Accession), Dec 16, 2008

PROPERTY, INDUSTRIAL

Geneva Act of Hague Agreement Concerning International Registration of Industrial Designs. Adopted at Geneva July 2, 1999. Entered into force December 23, 2003.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Entry into force, Dec 24, 2008

DENMARK

Entry into force, Dec 09, 2008

SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE

Entry into force, Dec 08, 2008

Protocol relating to the Madrid Agreement concerning the international registration of marks. Signed at Madrid June 27, 1989. Entered into force December 1, 1995. Entered into force for the United States November 2, 2003.

SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE

Entry into force, Dec 08, 2008

TRADEMARKS

Singapore treaty on the law of trademarks. With regulations and attachments. Adopted at Singapore March 27, 2006. Entered into force March 16, 2009.

AUSTRALIA

Consent to be bound (Ratification), Dec 16, 2008

MOLDOVA

Consent to be bound (Ratification), Dec 16, 2008

WAR

Protocol additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and relating to the adoption of an additional distinctive emblem. With annex. Signed at Geneva December 8, 2005. Entered into force January 14, 2007. Entered into force for the United States September 8, 2007.

COSTA RICA

Entry into force, Dec 30, 2008